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TO-DAY'S BUDGET MEETING.

SATISFACTORY FINANCIAL POSITION.

RECORD VOTE FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

Loans Probable for Big Undertakings.

PROJECTED TRAMWAY SYSTEM FOR KOWLOON.

Hongkong's Budget was introduced at this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council, when His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (Hon. Mr. Claud Savern, C.M.G.) outlined the present financial position and the prospects for the coming year.

No new taxes are proposed, neither is provision made for any remission in existing taxation.

Below we give His Excellency's speech in full. For the benefit of our readers we have inserted therein, in parenthesis, the amounts involved in the various items where they have not been specified in the actual speech. The main features of the Budget are:

Credit balance on December 31st, 1921	\$5,477,745.
Original estimate of revenue for 1922	17,276,260.
Revised estimate of revenue for 1922	20,718,720.
Original estimate of expenditure for 1922	20,198,980.
Revised estimate of expenditure for 1922	19,563,500.
Estimated balance in hand on December 31st, 1922	7,631,965.
Estimated revenue for 1923	18,677,000.
Estimated expenditure for 1923	22,533,835.

In connection with the above figures, it is thought possible that the balance at the end of the current year may be considerably higher than the figure mentioned; whilst with regard to the excess of expenditure over revenue budgeted for in the coming year, it is stated that revenue has been estimated on a conservative basis, and the question of transferring certain expenditure to Loan Account is under consideration. In any event, the Colony's cash balances are ample to meet any deficit.

An outstanding feature of the Budget is the vote for Public Works Extraordinary, which totals no less than \$7,245,000. This is easily a record.

The possibility of raising loans to meet the cost of big special undertakings is foreshadowed.

A sum is included for preliminary work in connection with the laying of a tramway system for Kowloon.

Motor refuse lorries are to be employed by the Sanitary Department.

A road is to be cut through King's Park, Kowloon, where new recreation grounds are to be laid out.

A big town-planning scheme is being carried out in Kowloon.

Delays in connection with certain big works, including the Hospital for Kowloon and the new Queen's College buildings, are explained.

"Somewhat formidable" expenditure on the railway is provided for. The railway revenue, however, has increased from \$428,000 to \$604,000 during the past five years.

No provision is made in the Estimates for the proposed Wanchai Gap tramway, but it is desirable to proceed with the work, the Council will be asked to vote the necessary funds.

No funds are set aside for harbour improvement, the cost of which will probably be met by a loan. A definite scheme is not likely to be ready until well on into next year.

The Post Office staff is being increased to cope with growing business.

Under a new contract with the Gas Company, better street lighting is promised for Hongkong and Kowloon.

As an experiment, the Government is to provide a central garage for public use on the new Peak Road.

Heavy capital expenditure is anticipated on waterworks in Hongkong and the New Territories.

The Police Force is being strengthened, the total vote for this Department reaching well over a million and a half dollars.

Bigger ferries are to run between Jubilee Street, Hongkong, and Jordan Road, Kowloon, this being part of the policy of moving the population from the crowded areas of the city to Kowloon.

His Excellency's Speech.

H. E. the Officer Administering the Government said:—Honourable Members of Legislative Council.—In submitting for your consideration the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for the year 1922, I feel sure you will agree with me in regarding our financial position as satisfactory.

It was estimated at this time last year that the balance of assets over liabilities on the 31st December, 1921, would amount to approximately five million dollars; but, owing to an increase of a million dollars in revenue and a decrease of half a million dollars in expenditure compared with the revised Estimate for 1921, the actual balance at the end of 1921 amounted to \$6,478,745.

This Year's Revenue.

The revised estimate of revenue for this year is \$20,718,720 which is \$3,442,460 more than the original estimate. The difference is mainly attributable to unforeseen increases under opium, tobacco duties, and land sales.

Next Year's Revenue.

For next year the revenue is estimated to amount to \$18,567,270. The principal increases over the estimated revenue for this year being under the heads:—Assessed Taxes, Hawkers' Licences, Liquor Duties, Liquor Licences, Stamp Duties, Tobacco Duties, Water Excess, and Postage, but against these increases is offset an estimate of \$600,000 for land sales as against a revised estimate of \$2,500,000 from this source in the present year. This estimate, as I have explained, is necessarily mere guess work.

Next Year's Expenditure.

The expenditure for next year is estimated to amount to \$22,533,835, being an increase of some three million dollars over the probable expenditure this year. The various increases and decreases in each department and the reasons therefor are set out in the sessional paper which has been laid on the table and I will refer to the more important items. It will be seen that estimated expenditure exceeds estimated revenue by some four million dollars, but the usual custom has been followed of estimating revenue on a conservative basis, and the question of transferring certain expenditure to loan account is under consideration. In any event our cash balances are ample to cover the deficit.

The rate of exchange adopted for these Estimates is 2s. 4d. as against 2s. 6d. in respect of the present year, and the dollar equivalent of all sterling payments is increased accordingly, except as regards salaries which are payable at a fixed exchange.

Provision has been made in the Budget for two new unclassified posts. The remainder of the increase in this Service is due to the annual stipulated increments.

Harbour Master's Department.

In the Harbour Master's Department, certain salaries have been increased. The Harbour Master's appointment has been restored to the position relative to other departments which it formerly held; the Government Marine Surveyors have been placed on a similar footing to Engineers in the Public Works Department; and a third Boarding Officer has been added to the establishment.

The wages of the crews of all Government launches have been increased so as to bring them into line with crews employed by commercial firms whose pay was adjusted after the strike earlier in the year; and, with the grant of incremental scales of salaries, good conduct and rent allowances have been abolished.

The Senior Lighthouse Keeper at Green Island, whose duties include the supervision of 16 out-lying lights and the training of lighthouse apprentices, has been promoted to a new post with the title of Officer-in-Charge of Green Island and Sub-Inspector of Lighthouses.

Increased provision has been made under Other Charges for the raising and renewing of the moorings of ocean steamships. The vote for this year has already required supplementing on account of the increased number of moorings now in use and it is not anticipated that there will be any falling off next year. A new item of \$700 appears for the upkeep of the wireless plant installed at Gap Road, which it is hoped will prevent the interruption of communication frequently experienced in the past. Provision has also been made for a new motor boat for the Government Marine Surveyor's Office, a sub-department whose work is increasing yearly.

Import and Export.

In the Imports and Exports Department the vote for liquor labels has been increased by \$1,000 as it is proposed to extend to Chinese wines this system of preventing the evasion of the liquor duties. Purchase of raw opium has been increased from \$500,000 to \$600,000 owing to depletion of stocks.

New Time Signal Instrument.

Under Royal Observatory provision has been made for the purchase of a new Transit Instrument and apparatus for emitting Wireless Time Signals, (\$7,000). The apparatus at present in use is out of date and not trustworthy

Grants.

Under Miscellaneous Services the grant to the Imperial Institute has been increased from £125 to £250 and a grant of £25 is made to the Royal Asiatic Society. The vote for the University is reduced by \$5,000 which is equivalent to the decrease in the interest payable on the outstanding balance of the Government's contribution, a sum of \$100,000 being paid off annually.

The annual grant to the University is \$50,000. Increases under Printing and Binding are due to the expansion of Governmental work generally while rent allowances have had to be considerably increased as some Government quarters at Morrison Hill and elsewhere will not be available and quarters now building at the Peak and Leighton Hill will not be ready so soon as was anticipated.

More Police.

The cost of the Police establishment is increased by some \$170,000 to a total of \$1,623,000 to which must be added \$34,000 for special expenditure, \$36,000 for pensions, and a large sum for buildings under Public Works Extraordinary. The problem of adequate policing has its special difficulties in consequence of the waves of crime which from time to time spread to the Colony during periods of unrest in South China. It is necessary both to cope with these periodic outbreaks and at the same time to avoid overburdening the tax-payer with expenditure which may prove to be unnecessary. The Government has every hope that the restoration of peace and tranquillity in China will benefit the Colony by rendering the task of the police less arduous than it is at present.

The European strength is increased by thirty-two men, the majority of whom are being recruited from the Royal Irish Constabulary. Nineteen men are being added to the Indian contingent, twenty-eight to the Water Police, and 130 to the Chinese Force. Of the latter some 100 are coming from Weihaiwei and it is proposed to employ them in the New Territories.

It will be seen at the beginning of the Police Estimates that provision has been made for two extra Assistant Superintendents. One of these arises from the usual promotion of a Police Probationer and the other is a new post to which Chief Inspector James Kerr has been appointed. This appointment has been made with a view to the reorganisation of the Detective Sub-Department which has been renamed the Criminal Investigation Department. This Department will be in the charge of a Deputy Superintendent.

Provision has been made under Special Expenditure for three more motor cycles and sidecars which will complete the allotment of one cycle to each outstation. A new motor car is required to replace an old car, now past service, and provision is made for completing the equipment of the large Police launches with searchlights and with deck cabins for the better accommodation of the Officer-in-Charge. It is proposed also to purchase a van for the conveyance of prisoners from out-lying districts and to and from the Courts. The re-arming of the Force with modern weapons is being rapidly effected and it is proposed to buy 150 Police Positive Pistols next year.

The Fire Floats.

In the Fire Brigade Estimates a new vote of \$12,000 has been inserted under Other Charges for the purchase of hose, the vote for stores being reduced by \$5,000. Provision has also been made for equipping the No. 2 Fire Float with Searchlight Apparatus (\$4,000). No. 1 Fire Float having been similarly equipped this year.

In the Prison Department, the post of Prison Warder has been abolished, and the work of inspection is now performed by two Trade Instructors under the supervision of a Principal Warder. As in the Harbour Department, the salaries of the crew of the Prison Department launch have been revised and on account of

the greater size of the new launch a larger crew has been provided for.

Similarly on page 54 it will be seen that the same revision of salaries has taken place as regards the crew of the launch of the Health Officer of the Port.

Motor Refuse Lorries.

In the Sanitary Department, an additional Senior Inspector has been appointed to be in charge under the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon at the Slaughterhouses and an additional 2nd. Class Inspector is required for similar duty. Further new posts of a total value of about \$5,000 have also been made to cope with the increasing work to be done by this department. The crews of the Sanitary Department's steam launches and barges have also received increases of salaries in accordance with the general revision of launchmen's pay, and the drivers, bargemen, and coolies have been placed on incremental scales which will grant them an extra dollar a month after 3, 5, 7, and 10 years' service.

Several of the votes in Other Charges have been sub-divided for the purposes of better store-keeping and accounting, and under Special Expenditure provision has been made for further cars which are required. It is proposed to purchase two motor refuse lorries (\$8,900) which will facilitate the conveyance of refuse from the Peak and outlying districts, and two motor vans (\$5,000) for the carriage of infected clothing to the disinfecting stations. Two motor cars (\$6,000) have also been inserted on the recommendation of the Sanitary Board for the use of officers of this department who have a considerable amount of travelling to do to visiting districts.

Vernacular Education.

The Estimates of the Education Department have been rearranged and condensed for convenience of accounting. The improvement of vernacular education in the Colony has been receiving the serious attention of the Government for several years past, and by means of normal schools for both masters and mistresses, and increased subsidies to schools both in Hongkong and in the New Territories, it is hoped gradually to raise the standard in this respect. The work of this branch is increasing and it has become necessary, in order that full benefit may be obtained from the system of subsidies, to increase the staff of inspectors of vernacular schools. A cadet officer is at present acting as an Inspector and a further additional post of Inspector Class II has been made. The salaries of locally-engaged mistresses have been regraded. There are now 17 mistresses on sterling salaries appointed from Home and 20 locally-engaged mistresses on dollar salaries of varying amounts. The staff of English-speaking Chinese Assistant Masters has been re-organised and Vernacular Masters who now receive some two years' training at the Normal Schools have similarly been regraded. Class V with a salary of \$400 to \$600 annually has been abolished as such salary is no longer sufficient to attract suitable candidates. Capitation Grants, Subsidies, University Examination Grants, and Building Grants have all been increased and witness to the expansion which is taking place in education to-day in this Colony.

Public Works Policy.

Before I deal in detail with the Estimates of the Public Works Department I should like to make a few general remarks on the policy of the Government. It has been the practice to insert under the head of Public Works Extraordinary the maximum sums that it is estimated can be spent on each work, with the result that at the end of the year the amount spent has fallen far short of the total estimate. This practice has two disadvantages. It upsets the proper adjustment of revenue and expenditure, by the necessity for estimating for a large deficit, which is ultimately found not to exist, and it also tends to create an impression that the Public Works Department is unable to carry into effect within a specified time, the works en-

trusted to it. In the Estimates now before you the sums entered under each item are in some cases less and in others more, than will be actually spent, but the total estimated expenditure of \$7,245,500 will probably be reached, especially as a considerable part of it is allotted to several large works which are actually in progress.

Why Big Works Were Delayed.

During the current year and especially up to the 30th. June, the expenditure on Public Works Extraordinary has been comparatively small, considering the large amount provided in the estimates. This was due to several unavoidable causes. For example, it was impossible to make such an early start with the building of the Kowloon Hospital as had been hoped, owing to the necessity for a more comprehensive lay-out of the district involved, which rendered it clear that a further cutting down of the site than had been arranged for was desirable. There has also been some delay in the preparation of the site for the new Government building between Jubilee and Queen Victoria Streets where extensive piling of a difficult nature was necessary. At Caroline Hill the site for the new buildings of Queen's College had to be adjusted to such a level as would provide filling for the adjacent land. It is also a fact that owing to the extensive building operations now in progress in the Colony local contractors are unable to tender for more work at an economical rate, while all efficient labour is fully employed. The staff of the Public Works Department has been increased to meet the situation as far as can be done with advantage, and no further increase of staff could be usefully employed while the present conditions continue.

The Question of Loans.

The question of providing for large public works by means of a loan has not been lost sight of. In the estimates you will find considerable sums entered for the Praya East Reclamation Scheme, and under the arrangements at present in force large sums will have to be provided under Public Works Extraordinary for this scheme for several years more. Now, the whole of this money will come back to the Government, and so far as can be foreseen a good deal more besides, in the form of premium on the sale of land levelled by the removal of Morrison Hill and on the land formed by the reclamation, and as such premium is not subject to Military Contribution it is a question whether the amount required for the scheme should not be provided either by a loan or as an advance recoverable on the sale of the land, rather than as a charge on the annual revenue of the Colony.

Then again certain items under the heading of 'Waterworks' both in Hongkong and the New Territories involve heavy capital expenditure. The Shing Mun Valley scheme alone, if the Government decides to proceed with it, will cost several million dollars. These works should in course of time prove remunerative undertakings and their cost might well be met by a loan.

In Defence of Road Expenditure.

The expenditure on roads is proving most profitable though the return is of an indirect kind. There seems to be an impression abroad that the Government is somewhat reckless in proceeding with the construction of expensive roads while curtailing expenditure in other directions where help is more needed. I can imagine no more short-sighted policy than to reduce our expenditure on road construction at the present time. The only piece of road about to be constructed that will possibly not prove a profitable undertaking in itself is the short connection from Wong Nei Chung Gap to the road between D-sep Water Bay and Repulse Bay, but it would be difficult to argue that this road should not be proceeded with when it is remembered that it will shorten the distance between the City of Victoria and the rapidly developing areas on the south side of the island by several miles. (The road to Shek O

has also been referred to as an extravagant and unnecessary undertaking. I challenge this statement by facts which I hold are incontestable. Arrangements are already in progress for the erection on land at the far end of the road of rateable property of a value of about a million dollars, while the road in its course will pass extensive areas suitable for the erection in pleasant surroundings of numerous houses. The road will give access for the public to a part of the island hitherto inaccessible by land except by a long and hilly path. This part of the island possesses advantages as regards climate and sea breeches superior to those in other parts of the Colony, but owing to its exposed position it is only possible to reach it by sea during a comparatively short time each year. Our island is not a very large one, and the fact that one of the most desirable portions of it should be practically cut off, and inhabited only by a few Chinese families engaged in fishing, had become an anachronism. Those who opposed the road to the Peak have remained silent since certain recent events and it is unnecessary for me to recapitulate the arguments in favour of its construction. I may remark, however, that the heavy expenditure incurred on this most valuable means of communication has already been to a great extent recovered by the sale of hitherto inaccessible sites situated above and below it. You will observe that a sum of money is entered for the improvement of Victoria Road (\$25,000). A good deal of building development is taking place on this road and it is essential that some of the more dangerous corners should be removed, but the expenditure will be kept as low as possible.

Town Planning in Kowloon.

During the course of the debate on the second reading of the supply bill last year, Mr. Stephen advocated a scheme of scientific town planning and the Governor forthwith appointed a Committee to draw up such a scheme. The members of the Committee have worked very hard during the past few months and the results of their labours will be so valuable during the next fifty years that I should like to record their names. They are as follows:—The Director of Public Works, Chairman of the Committee; the Colonial Secretary, Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher; the Colonial Treasurer, (originally Mr. C. McL. Messer, and now Mr. D. W. Trautman), the Chief Engineer China Command, Col. C. W. Davy; Mr. W. L. Leask; Mr. Chow Shon-sun; Mr. A. F. B. Silva-Netto, with Mr. A. G. W. Tickle and subsequently Mr. I. M. Xavier as Secretary. The Committee has so far been dealing with the Kowloon Peninsula which is being mapped out in detail for the future requirements of a very large population. Provision is being made for roads, railways, ferries, wharves, sewage works, slaughterhouses, markets, Government buildings, offensive trade areas, residential areas, timber yards, coal yards, recreation grounds, and so on, and the work when complete will prove a most valuable guide for all purposes connected with the development of the Colony. The Committee will deal with Hongkong in due course.

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POLICEMEN AND BRIBES.

Some Interesting Revelations.

The hearing was resumed at the Magistrate's yesterday afternoon of a case in which three Chinese policemen were charged with obtaining bribes on divers dates and with misdemeanour. One of them is a Lance-Sergeant with 19 years' service.

Mr. C. G. Perdue, Assistant Superintendent of Police, conducted the prosecution, and Mr. E. Davidson defended. Mr. A. E. Hall watched the case in the interests of several hawkers concerned in the proceedings.

Chan Ng, a hawker of earthenware, deposed that, according to him at Stanton Street on the 23rd September, two of the defendants (both constables) asked if he had paid them money. They asked for 30 cents and threatened to arrest him if the money was not forthcoming. Just at the time a woman bought a spittoon, paying 20 cents, which witness directly handed to the defendants. The latter went away, after telling witness that if other constables of their gang should interfere he should mention "Ping chi" (the character for "level" or "flat"), and they would leave him alone.

Next morning a constable brought him up to the Central Station, where he made a statement as to the incident on the previous day, to Sergeant Elston. The same night the two defendants called at his house and invited him to the Fu San tea house. There they entreated him not to give evidence in Court, and said that if it was necessary for him to return to his village to evade the police they would pay the expenses. As an alternative defendants suggested putting witness up in a Chinese hotel for several days until the matter was ended. To all the proposals witness refused to agree. The defendants pointed out that if the proceedings in Court resulted in their dismissal from the force, they would be well and good, but should the result be different, their witness would have to face the consequences. The putting of the defendants at the witness's house was that he was to leave next morning and give them a reply to the proposal when they called. Witness went home, but did not sleep in his house, as he did not wish to reveal the offer to his wife.

A Policeman's Word.

Chow Lam, an assistant to a cloth hawk, testified to a demand for 30 cents made to him by the two constables on the 12th September after he had been arrested for hawking without a licence. The money was demanded for his release, and as he did not pay they took him to the Station.

A youth, also a hawker, stated that seven or eight weeks ago the first two defendants (the Sergeant and one of the constables) asked him for money at Shing Wung Street. He paid over 50 cents and was told after he had paid over the money that if he called out "Pek-nam" (the Chinese word for olive) when a policeman approached he would not be arrested. Five weeks later the second defendant (the constable) met him in the street, and despite the fact that he shouted out "Pek-nam" took him into custody on the ground that the time limit in which the signal stood good had expired. He was charged before the Court next morning for an offence he had not committed, and was fined \$1. At his arrest the defendant told him that if he pleaded guilty he would be fined only \$1.

The Magistrate (Mr. E. W. Hamilton): Why didn't you complain to the Court?

Witness: Defendant told me that if I pleaded guilty I would be fined only \$1.

Magistrate: Yes, but why should you be fined \$1 when you have not committed the offence? I was afraid your Worship might call me a liar and fine me more than \$1.

In reply to Mr. Davidson the youth said that the first time he had given a bribe to a policeman it was paid to the defendant.

Mr. Davidson: You know how bribery is arranged with police officers and the signals?

Witness demonstrated the manner in which hawkers paid money to policemen, which was handed out with the hand slightly behind the back.

The case was adjourned until to-day.

COCAINE AND MORPHINE.

Record Haul on Japanese Ship.

What is claimed to be the biggest seizure of cocaine and morphine in the history of the Revenue Department in Hongkong was effected aboard the Mishima Maru as she was steaming into port at 4 o'clock on Tuesday morning.

Mr. Taylor, Assistant Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Chief Preventive Officer, and Senior Revenue Officer Clarke, acting on information, went out in a launch in the early morning and stopped the Mishima Maru at Cheung Chan.

A close search was at once begun and from one of the holds the Revenue Officers removed four cases. These were broken open and were found to contain two sofas, all quite new and nicely upholstered. The cloth in the bottom of the chairs and sofas were ripped open and under the springs the Revenue Officers found 2,500 ounces of cocaine, the cost of which, according to English valuation, is about \$20,000. The search party then went on deck towards a first class cabin, No. 21, and just as they were entering the room it is alleged that the occupant, a Korean named Choy San, rushed up to two of his boxes and attempted to scratch off the labels from them. The boxes were opened and amongst the contents which were piled out the searchers found 2,400 ounces of morphine. During the examination of the trunks a Chinese passenger came up to the cabin and looked about in such a manner that S. R. O. Watt, moved him on suspicion and rifled his pockets. On the man's person Mr. Watt found certain documents relating to the consignment of furniture in which the cocaine was secreted.

The Korean, as is shown by papers found in his possession, was a passenger from Marseilles, but his luggage was shipped at London. Said to be connected with the firm of Tong Sang Brothers, Agency, the Korean is apparently not without means, as papers found on him showed that he kept up at the best hotels in London.

The haul has been analysed and the result shows that the cocaine is of 100 per cent. purity.

Court Proceedings.

The Korean Choy San, standing in the dock before Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday, dressed in a neatly cut European suit, minus collar and tie.

Mr. N. L. Smith, Superintendent of Imports and Exports, prosecuted and Mr. R. E. A. Webster defended.

Mr. Smith said he did not wish to proceed with the case yet, but desired to produce the evidence of a steward employed on the Mishima Maru owing to the departure of the ship.

Haru Naba, steward of the Mishima Maru, deposed that he recognised the two trunks produced as part of the defendant's luggage by the labels on the lids.

Examined by Mr. Smith witness said that at the request of the defendant he had the trunks taken out from the hold and placed on deck ready for landing, one of them being removed to the luggage room and the other outside the defendant's cabin, No. 20. The boxes were kept in the hold and had not been used during the voyage. They were brought up to the deck on the day before the ship's arrival at Hongkong.

In reply to the Magistrate, the steward said that the Korean pointed out the box which he wanted to be taken out of his cabin.

Mr. Smith: I would like to know if the witness knows anything about the labels. They have been partly torn and scratched off. On one of the boxes the label had been completely removed, and on the other only part of the label remained.

The steward said that the labels were intact on the day before the ship arrived in port. They were not defaced, otherwise he would not have been able to know they were the luggage of the accused.

Mr. Smith: Did you chalk the luggage with the number of the cabin when you took it out of the hold?

Witness: Yes.

The Magistrate: Are the marks still there?

Mr. Smith: Only the remains of them.

S. R. O. Watt said that the chalk marks had been partly obliterated.

A Chinese third-class passenger of the Mishima Maru, travelling from Singapore, stated that he became acquainted with the defendant during the voyage. The Korean was extremely kind to him and promised him financial assistance whenever he needed it. During the



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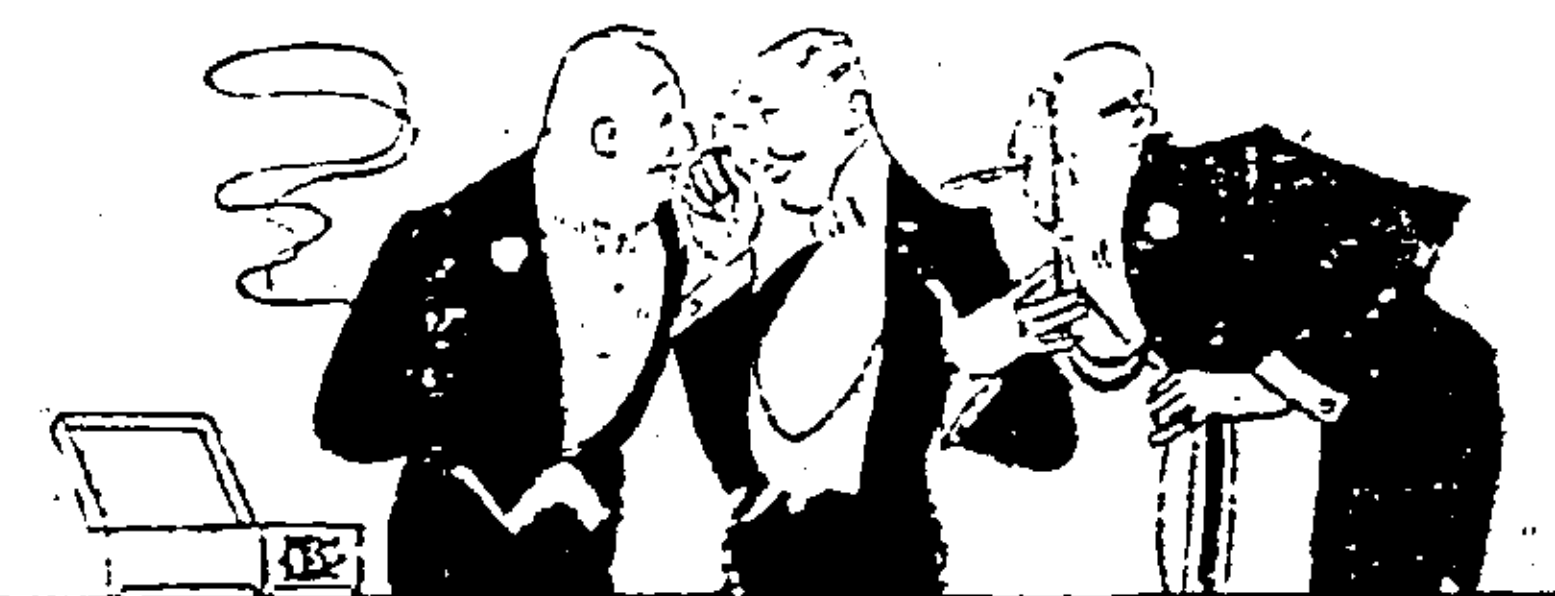
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voyage defendant entrusted certain papers to his care and it was with the object of returning these documents before the ship arrived at Hongkong that he went up to the deck on Tuesday morning. He was stopped by a Revenue Officer and relieved of the papers.

The Magistrate, to defendant: Is this evidence correct?—Yes.

In reply to the Magistrate, Mr. Smith stated that he was able to connect the defendant with the luggage by the bills of lading of the ship. Some of the papers found on the man also related to these packages.

The case was adjourned until Tuesday afternoon, bail being fixed at \$100,000.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

HOME POLITICAL CRISIS.

London, Oct. 11.

It is certain as can be that there will be a general election before Christmas, announces the political correspondent of Mr. Lloyd George's organ, the *Daily Chronicle*, following a meeting of the Cabinet at which the question was deliberated. The only doubt is whether it can be taken before the meeting of Parliament in November.

Mr. Lloyd George manifestly considers that the prospective successful issue of the Government's policy in the Near East, which evoked such violent criticism on the part of the opposition, offers an unmissable electoral opportunity. There were, consequently, the greatest activities in Coalition circles yesterday. Party Whips and organisers met to consider reports from constituencies. Mr. Chamberlain conferred with his Conservative colleagues and then with Lord Carson. Mr. Lloyd George consulted various Coalition Liberal supporters, who endorsed the wisdom of an early election, and Sir Robert Horne and Mr. Amery decided to postpone their visits to the United States and Canada respectively. Some counsellors are advising Mr. Lloyd George to resign in view of the threatened revolt of the Conservative Associations, but his resignation at present is not regarded seriously. Mr. Chamberlain intimated that if, following resignation, he was summoned to form a Government, he would advise His Majesty to dissolve Parliament.

THE MUDANIA AGREEMENT.

London, Oct. 11.

The news of the signing of the agreement at Mudania at 11 o'clock yesterday evening arrived too late for comment in the morning newspapers, but it was not unexpected and undoubtedly has been received with universal satisfaction and relief. It is pointed out here that the renewed evidence of Allied solidarity was an important factor in inducing the acceptance of the terms by the Turks, who saw clearly that terms indicated were the Allies' last word.

Constantinople, Oct. 11.

In a conciliatory speech presenting the proposed convention Major-General Harrington thanked Ismet for the order of a cessation to the movement of troops. He described the terms as generous and said the Allied troops would be removed from Constantinople on the declaration of peace. It appeared to him that the Turks were offered nearly all their national aspirations without loss of life and without disturbing the peace and prosperity of their country. "Your goal is within reach and will be entirely in your hands in 45 days and your administration established satisfactorily. All the Allies ask is that the present zone be respected till the ratification of the peace; secondly, a limit to gendarmery in Thrace; thirdly, the presence of Allied detachments and missions in Thrace for a very limited period." The Greek delegates would be disposed to sign with certain reservations.

Athens, Oct. 11.

M. Tzimis has now intimated his readiness to accept the Premiership.

Paris, Oct. 11.

The Government at Constantinople is in accord with the Mudania Agreement to which it has subscribed.

CHINA'S NATIONAL DAY.

London, Oct. 11.

Chao Hsi-chun, Chinese Charge d'Affaires, held a reception at the Chinese Legation to celebrate the eleventh anniversary of the establishment of the republic. The reception was largely attended by English, Chinese, Japanese and foreign diplomats. The Republican flag flew on the roof of the Legation.

Mr. Chao Hsi-chun, in a speech welcoming the guests, said the young Chinese Republic was like a child seeking guidance and assistance from an older constitutional country. Such a country could be no other than Britain, the oldest constitutional country in the world, the most constitutional in letter, most democratic in spirit and the one recognised as the most friendly nation to China. He proceeded to refer to the situation in China and emphasised the essential need for unification of North and South. He declared that although the country was in a most critical stage it was in the most hopeful state of transition. He referred in this connection to the better political and commercial outlook and concluded in an optimistic strain as regards the future.

Mr. Chu later gave a dinner in honour of the new British Minister. Others present were Viscount Hayashi, Mr. Wilton (Assistant Chief of the Salt Administration at Peking), Sir John Jordan, Sir Malcolm Delevigne, Sir Richard Dane, Sir Edward Pearce and Foreign Office officials.

RUSSIA'S TROUBLES.

Riga, Oct. 11.

The members of the Central Committee of the all Russian Trade Unions have been arrested by order of the Soviet Supreme Tribunal.

A serious rising is reported in North Caucasus. The insurgents destroyed or dispersed the Red forces. A punitive expedition is now engaged.

ITALIAN AVIATION PRIZE.

Rome, Oct. 11.

Ferrarin, who flew from Rome to Tokyo in 1920, won the Aviation Grand Cup of Italy, covering the course, 2,004 kilometres, in 12 hours 57 minutes. Only two entrants qualified in the eliminating trials, and Ferrarin was the only starter in the actual race.

JAPAN AND THE LEAGUE.

Geneva, Oct. 11.

In consequence of Viscount Ishii going to Japan on leave, the League of Nations has been notified that Mr. Adachi, Ambassador to Brussels, replaces him on the Council of the League.

DUTCH EAST INDIES BONDS.

Amsterdam, Oct. 11.

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THE REPARATIONS COMMISSION.

Paris, Oct. 11.

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Owing to the fact that there is no present only one ladies' hockey club in Hongkong it has been found impossible to hold a regular series of games, the excellent having been adopted of forming "A" and "B" teams, which have played scratch matches against one another. It is hoped that during the coming season other ladies' clubs will be formed and it is probable that a challenge will be issued to the men's hockey club, the latter to play left-handed. During the past year much valuable assistance had been rendered by various gentlemen players who have both instructed novices as well as helped to fill up the teams when it was short.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: President, Mrs. H. E. Pollock; Vice-president, Mrs. H. H. J. Gompertz; Hon. Secretary, Miss Jennings; Hon. Treasurer, Miss D. Frost; Captain, Miss Frost; Vice-captain, Miss Jennings; Committee, Mrs. B. Clemo, Miss C. Hansen, and Miss G. Woolley.

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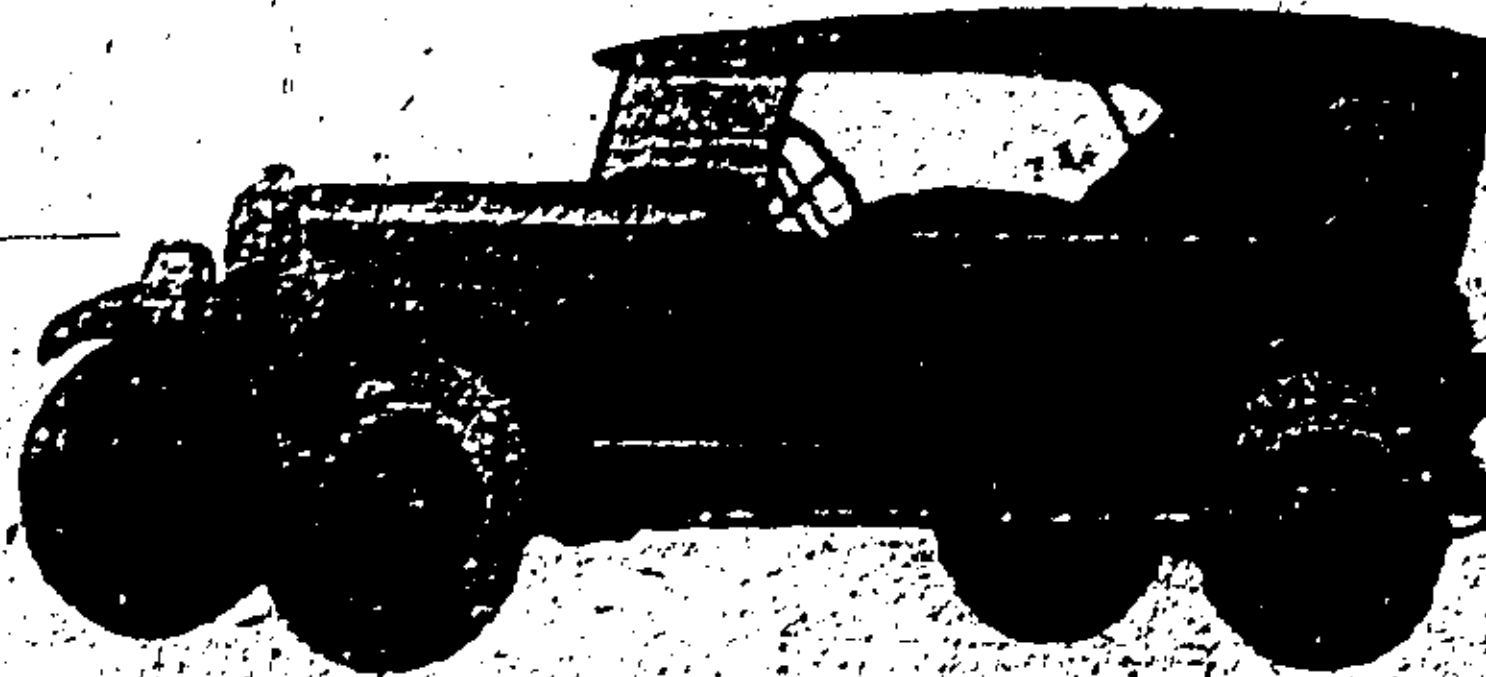
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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 1st. to 12th. October 1922, both days inclusive.

By Order

M. MANUK,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th. Sept 1922.

(Other Advertisements Continued on Page 7 and 12.)

TO-DAY'S BUDGET MEETING.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Recognition for Mr. Perkins.

The Public Works Department shows a considerable increase in Establishment Charges, Personal Emoluments having an increase of \$77,469. The Secretary of State has approved of the Director of Public Works receiving the maximum salary of the post. This recognition of the excellent work done by Mr. Perkins since his appointment will, I feel sure, be gratifying to Honourable Members.

In accordance with the recommendations of the Committee appointed at this time last year by His Excellency the Governor, the organisation of the Crown Lands and Surveys Office has been revised and certain additional posts have been made. A Chief Survey Clerk has been appointed to be in charge of the records of this sub-department and an additional Clerk of Works has been appointed to the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance Office. A new sub-department named the Resumption Office has been created which will relieve the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance Office of work in connection with Building Covenants, Valuations and Resumptions. It is proposed that Mr. J. W. White, Executive Engineer who has had considerable experience of this work in the Colony, should be in charge on his return from leave. An assistant engineer, who is at present in charge of this sub-department, will be permanently allocated to it.

The increase in Public Works Recurrent amounts to \$52,000 due partly to the general increase in the cost of maintenance, and in the case of roads to increased wear and tear in consequence of the introduction of heavier traffic and to extensions of the roads requiring to be maintained. The vote for Gas Lighting in Victoria and Kowloon has been considerably increased under a new contract with the Gas Company which provides for the installation of improved burners giving much better illumination than at present.

New Works.

Under "Public Works" Extraordinary "it will only be necessary to refer to new works. Item 4 (\$25,000) provides for improving the accommodation for the Officers-in-Charge of the Wireless Installation at Cape d'Aguilar, which has proved inadequate. Item 5 (\$20,000) is for a building in the Yamen at Canton to supplement the present quarters. The Governments of the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States will share the cost; the majority of the Cade Officers come from Malaya. I may remark that the large expenditure required for the new Queen's College under Item 11 (\$1,000,000) total of which \$150,000 (for 1923) will be partially recovered by the sale of a portion of the site on which the present building stands. Items 6 (\$30,000) and 15 (\$8,000) are required in connection with the enlargement and improvement of the slaughter houses and cattle depot at Kennedy Town. The re-instatement of the Kennedy Town Police Station provided for under Item 16 (\$10,000) will make it necessary to provide a new Infectious Diseases Hospital for which provision has been made under Item 21 (\$30,000). No site has, however, been decided on yet for this hospital. The coal storage depot and motor garage, Item 19 (\$10,000), was recommended by the Essential Services Committee. Item 20 (\$10,000) provides for the erection of a garage on the new Peak Road, which should prove a remunerative undertaking. I may mention in this connection that, in view of the greatly increasing demand, it has been decided not to allow the erection of isolated garages on Crown land except in special circumstances, but to attempt to concentrate cars, whose owners cannot house them on their own land, in large garages at convenient points. This experiment at the Peak will guide the Government as to its future policy in this matter. The alterations in the New Government Offices, Item 22 (\$30,000), are intended to provide further accommodation for the Post Office, which is urgently required owing to the great increase in the business of that department. Under Item 23 (\$10,000) provision is made for certain alterations in this building for extending the Colonial Secretary's Office and adapting certain rooms as quarters for a resident Clerk. This work will be undertaken as soon as the new buildings for the Public Works Department are occupied.

New Roads.

After my general remarks on roads it is unnecessary for me to do more than refer to certain new works under the head of "Communications." Sub-head (n) (\$100,000) is for a road up the Tai Hang Valley which will open up a number of excellent sites, some of which have already been applied for. Sub-head (o) (\$25,000) is for a branch road near Stanley Gap to open up an area above what is known as West Bay where several large sites have already been sold.

Big Ferry Piers.

Under the head "Miscellaneous" provision is made under Item 30 (\$15,000) for a "Portable Tar and Asphalt Mixer." The road system is becoming so extensive that it is impossible to send the material for surfacing from the quarry to the remotest parts of the island so as to arrive in a suitable condition. The portable mixer will enable the work to be done in an efficient and economical manner. The ferry piers for vehicular traffic, Item 33, (\$60,000) total, of which \$20,000 is for 1923) are strongly recommended by the Town Planning Committee. It is proposed to erect one pier in the vicinity of Jubilee Street and one at Jordan Road in Kowloon. The vote will be divided later and it is not expected that much work can be done during the year 1923. The ferries will be designed to carry a large number of passengers in addition to vehicles and will be of great assistance in developing the policy of moving the population from the crowded areas of the City of Victoria to more suitable residential areas in the Kowloon Peninsula. The scheme is not sufficiently advanced to make it possible for me to go into the subject in detail, and Honourable Members will have opportunities in future of discussing it in connection with the general question of housing and transport. Items 49, 50, and 51 (total \$115,000) make provision for certain catchwaters, which are essential for increasing the water supply of the island. If the Stanley Mound catchwater had been in operation this year the amount of water in Taitan Tuk Reservoir would have been much greater than it is. The rising main provided for under item 60 (\$30,000) is to replace with 9 ins. wrought iron pipes the present 8 ins. cast iron pipes which is defective at the joints. The old pipes will, however, be quite serviceable elsewhere.

In Kowloon.

In Kowloon the only new buildings are the Inspector's quarters at Maitankok, Item 48 (\$20,000) a market at Mongkok, Item 69 (\$15,000), a further addition to the Water Police Station, Item 70, (\$35,000), and a small incinerator at Kowloon City, Item 76, (\$2,000). Under "Communications" I would draw attention to sub-head (n) (\$150,000) total, of which \$30,000 is for 1923) This new important thoroughfare is one of the recommendations of the Town Planning Committee. It will run from Gascoigne Road across the East side of King's Park and join the main road from Taikoktui to Kowloon City, opening up some new building areas and passing close to the hospital. The gradient will be an easy one and many of the small hills on each side of it will be levelled to the various elevations required.

Sub-head (g) (\$10,000) provides a small sum, which may have to be increased, for beginning the laying of the tramway system. I am unable to deal with this subject at present as the Government proposals have been referred to the Crown Agents and nothing more can be done until a report has been received. Considerable sums have been provided under the head of "Drainage" for training the large nullahs required to carry off storm water through the areas now being levelled and developed for building.

Under the head of "Miscellaneous" a sum of \$20,000 has been provided for making recreation grounds in King's Park. It is proposed to grant allotment there to the Kowloon Cricket Club and the Club de Recreio, as the areas at present occupied by those clubs are required for other purposes.

The New Territories.

In the New Territories it is hoped to begin the New Gaoi at Ngan Shi Wan, (\$50,000) and to build a new Police Station at Shatin (\$20,000). Item 94 (\$10,000) requires some explanation. Advantage is being taken of the development by a Company of an area at Kau Lung Tong, to extend the road northwards to the base of the hills and to build a certain number of quarters for Government Officers of a similar type to some of the houses which are to be built on the Company's land. The estimated cost for each house is comparatively low and with the provision of cheap means of transport this district should prove an attractive place of residence.

No new roads are contemplated in the new Territories except the roads required to develop the Kau Lung Tong area and a path to Shing Mun Valley in connection with the survey work there for the proposed impounding reservoir and aqueduct. Large sums are required for the improvement of the existing roads. Under the head of "Drainage" provision has been made for the training of the streams in connection with the Kau Lung Tong Development Scheme.

Under the head of "Miscellaneous" provision has been made for continuing works in progress. New works are the formation of junk building and repairing yards, Item 110, (\$10,000) and the opening up of a quarry, Item 111, (\$10,000). Under the head of "Waterworks" it is proposed to extend the main catchwater, Item 115, (\$100,000) to make a survey of the Shing Mun Valley Scheme, Item 116, (\$20,000), and to construct a new reservoir at Shek Lai Poi, Item 117, (\$50,000). The last-named work will form a most useful supplement to the Kowloon Water Supply.

Our Busy Post Office.

In the Post Office, provision has had to be made for increased staff to cope with the greatly increased amount of postal matter which now passes through its hands. Eleven additional postmen and ten additional bag coolies have therefore been provided. The time has now come also when a second launch is required by the Post Office in order that there may be no delay in the receipt and despatch of mails and provision has been made accordingly.

The early months of this year

were exceptional on account of the stoppage of steamboat communication with Canton during the seamen's strike, but the heavy passenger traffic has continued and it has been found that the facilities at Kowloon Station are becoming insufficient for dealing with the increasing crowds, especially in festival time.

It is proposed at present to make an extension of the main arrival platform at a cost of \$1,000, as inconvenience arises on the arrival in Kowloon of trains exceeding the length of the platform. A sum of \$5,000 has been inserted for the provision of turnstiles at the entrance to the platforms for the purpose of breaking up the crowds which assemble in the concourse area before departure, and enabling adequate supervision to be made by the staff.

Bigger Locomotives. The locomotives at present in use have proved to be of a most serviceable type but they are not sufficiently powerful to haul long and heavily loaded trains, and in emergencies it has been necessary to employ two engines. It is proposed to replace these, as they wear out, by engines of a more powerful type, and provision is made for the purchase of one of these next year (\$100,000). New boilers are required for Locomotives Nos. 1 and 2 (\$4,857) which have been in service since 1907 and are unserviceable for heavy work until they have been reconditioned. Further spares for the various locomotives are necessary and provision is made for the purchase of eight sets of boiler tubes (\$12,343).

Further Big Railway Vote. Provision has also been made for the purchase of five 30-ton covered wagons for purposes of the increasing goods traffic (\$50,000).

The purchase of a breakdown crane (\$38,000) has been held over for several years. It will be useful in cases of emergency or accident and will also be used in the railway workshops to obviate the long and dangerous process at present involved when the boiler of an engine has to be lifted for repairs.

Under Construction, several works re-appear which for various reasons are not being proceeded with this year and provision has been made for certain new items which are necessary. The fencing which encloses the railway ground from the Station to Signal Hill is now some 11 years old and is dilapidated and unsightly. It is proposed to replace it with neat concrete fencing, which will be in keeping with the surroundings (\$12,000). A sum of \$13,000 is inserted for the conversion of the former premises of the China Light and Power Company. Work has been commenced and this sum is required to complete the work. The main building is to be adapted for use as a general store, the present store being given up for keeping permanent war materials; the former boiler house floor will be levelled and is to be used as a repair shop for all Government motor vehicles, including cars, trucks, lorries, and fire-engines. It is proposed also to build a garage to house the various Government cars in use in Kowloon.

The extension of the carriage shed at Hung Hom was not proceeded with this year and a slightly increased sum (\$32,500) is inserted for that purpose. Additional room is needed in the railway workshops where all the repairs for the railway are dealt with, and a sum of \$60,000 is included for this extension. The proposed new carpenter's shop at Hung Hom where the bodies of much of our rolling stock are made, has been carried forward from this year.

The installation of electric power in the workshops is estimated to cost \$12,500. This work is necessary owing to the removal of the China Light and Power Company to their new premises, the distance of which from the workshops makes the provision of direct current, formerly used, uneconomical. Separate motors suitable for alternating current are being installed for each machine and there should be a considerable economy in running expenses.

One other item deserves separate mention, namely the provision of platform ladders for which a sum of \$2,000 has been inserted. The concourse area and platforms at Kowloon Station are in process of being cemented and will in future have a smooth level surface. It is proposed to introduce barrows, which are being successfully used in North China, in place of the more cumbersome method of transport by pole.

The Wanchai Tramway. There are certain important works for which no provision has been made. The proposed tramway to Wanchai Gap is one of these. I stated in the debate on the Supply Bill last year that I originally proposed the construction of this tramway, and I still consider that this means of access to the Mount Cameron district is essential. The development of Mount Cameron is provided for in the Estimates and if it should prove desirable to proceed with the tramway before the end of next year Honourable Members will be asked to vote the necessary funds. No plans have been drawn up yet and the method of working the line has not been considered.

The Harbour Scheme. The improvement of the harbour is another important matter, which does not appear in the Estimates. It is unlikely that any definite scheme will be ready till well on in the year, and the cost involved will probably have to be met by a loan.

The Opium Situation. I should like to correct a misapprehension which appears to exist regarding the requirements of the Opium Monopoly. In 1912 the allowance to the Opium Farm was 900 chests, which allowance included opium for export. When the Government Monopoly started in 1914, the amount of opium then required for local consumption was put at 540 chests a year, and it was hoped gradually to increase the selling price to a prohibitive figure, with the intention of thus finally putting an end to the smoking of opium in the Colony. It was, however, an essential condition of the success of this policy that all supplies of opium should be adequately controlled at the source, and this was a matter entirely outside the control of this Government. In the early days of the monopoly, large quantities of opium were regularly smuggled into the Colony from the United Kingdom, but steps taken at Home to stop possession and export resulted in the complete stoppage of this source of supply. In recent years the Government has been faced with the problem of keeping out Chinese and Persian opium. It is well-known that opium can be freely purchased in China at a price much below the Hongkong price, and the wider these two prices are apart the greater is the incentive to the smuggler; until a point is reached where preventive measures, with their attendant abuses, bring great harm to the trade and popularity of the port. It must be remembered that in a place such as this, where thousands of persons pass daily to and from China, nothing short of rigorous personal search can be finally effective.

In the eight years of the monopoly, consumption has been substantially reduced, the sale of dress opium has been abolished, and the price of prepared opium has been raised from \$6 00 to \$14.50 a taal. During the present year sales have increased owing to more stringent preventive measures. The Government regrets that this should be the case, but it is satisfied that, for the reasons which I have indicated, a further increase in the monopoly price would not in the present circumstances have any effect upon the amount of opium consumed. In the estimates of revenue for next year the increase of this year has not been taken into account, as it is hoped that the general situation will so improve as to enable the Government to get consumption down to a much lower figure.

A Bright Outlook. In conclusion, I can only repeat that our financial position is a strong one, and that I do not anticipate that there will be any large reduction in our balances at the end of 1923, even if the whole amount provided for public works is expended. This satisfactory position has continued throughout a period of world-wide trade depression, which has been severely felt in this Colony. We can only hope that a change for the better is not far distant.

CANTON NEWS.

Our Canton correspondent reports that General Chen Wing-on has proceeded by gunboat to Waichow to convey General Chan King-ming back to Canton. He is expected to reach Canton to-day.

A rumour from military sources states that all the military officials will ask General Chan King-ming to become Civil Governor as well as Commander-in-Chief.

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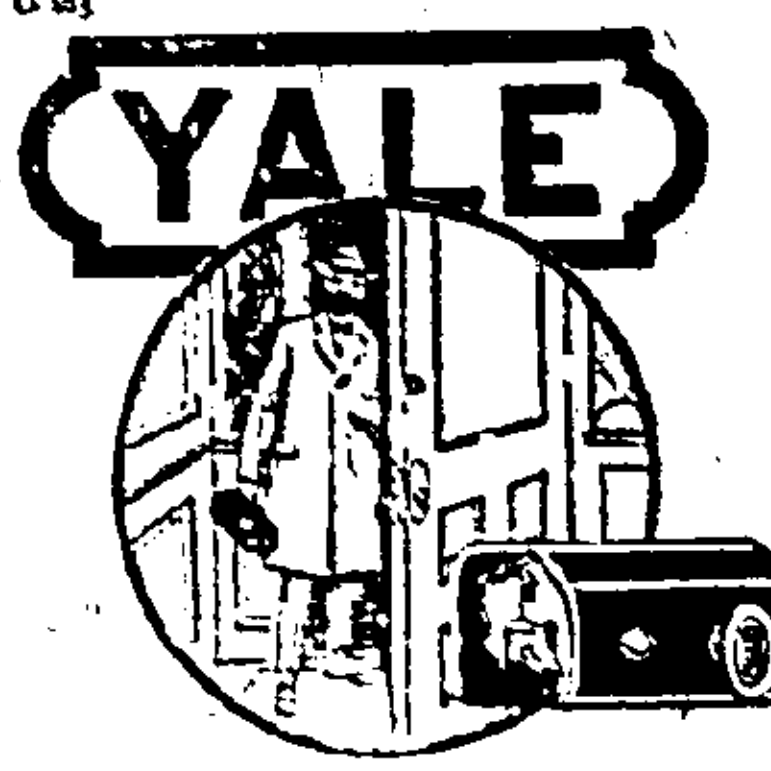
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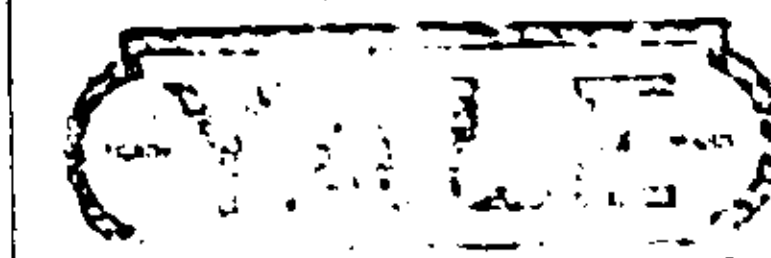
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THE BUDGET.

Today, as on one day in every year, there has been presented to the Legislative Council the Colony's Budget, and in this issue will be found the full text of the long explanatory speech delivered this afternoon by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government. To the general public the most gratifying feature will be that the Government's present sources of revenue have been more than sufficient to meet not only the expenditure necessary to run the administration, but to pay for all the works of development in hand. And there is a big balance over. When we think of the position of the British Government at Home, of the Government of the Federated Malay States and of endless other administrations who are face to face with serious financial shortages, we have every reason to congratulate ourselves on the fact that the Colony of Hongkong is solvent to the degree of being wealthy. For the past ten years there has been a steady increase in the balance of assets, and by the end of this year the Government will have something over \$3,000,000 in hand. Whether our Government could afford to reduce certain items of taxation is a moot point in view of the costliness of future development schemes, but the time should be long distant before the people of this Colony are faced with the necessity of paying anything additional in the way of taxation. And our taxation is even now fortunately light.

The full Budget figures will be found fully set out on page 1 of this issue, and our readers will be able to make their own comparisons and deductions. We shall receive more revenue this year than we thought, and our expenditure will be lighter than we thought. For next year our revenue has been very conservatively estimated at eighteen-and-a-half millions and our expenditure very liberally estimated at twenty-two-and-a-half millions. Judging by our experience this year, we shall probably find at the end of 1923 that we have once again worked at a profit. Perhaps the most significant item in the whole Budget is the estimated expenditure on "Public Works Extraordinary" of no less than seven-and-a-quarter millions, or practically one-third of our total estimated out-goings. When it is remembered that

only ten years ago the Colony's total Budget was for an expenditure of \$7,116,454, it will be realised how enormously accelerated has become the work of development. There are those who argue that this task of development should not solely be borne by the present tax-payers but, as the future tax-payers will benefit, a policy of contracting loans should be adopted. We agree where very big undertakings are involved, but for ordinary purposes the policy of "pay as we go" is, in the long run, cheaper and better. There is much in the Budget speech deserving of approval and there is much deserving of criticism. But to-day we would confine our criticisms to what we consider is the main objection, namely, estimating to spend on new works far more than can ever be accomplished. His Excellency has, in some measure, anticipated criticism by his reference to the matter and has indicated that the seven-and-a-quarter millions asked for by the Public Works Department for new work "will probably be spent." We beg to differ because we are mindful of the fact that it was thought that \$6,511,000 would be spent this year whereas only \$5,032,000 will be so expended. If we spend five millions this year with all the available competent labour being utilised, how can we hope to spend seven-and-a-quarter millions next year? And we would remind the Government that the work it has in hand already is far too much for it to cope with. The Government is "overflooded" of making excuses for work it has not done. How much better would it have been for a very modest programme to have been drawn up for next year and the opportunity taken to get rid of all the arrears? The Government is closing its Public Works Department with too much new work before the old has been cleared away. We should rejoice to think that 1923 would witness the completion of many of the big schemes in hand. Instead of proving to be another year of unsuccessful struggling against an ever-growing burden of unfinished work.

Compliments from China.

The "Mother of Parliaments" has just been handed bouquets by two of China's public men. Speaking the other day at Changsha, the capital of Hunan, which province has been electing a new Assembly, Mr. Liang Chi-chao, of the Chinese Educational Association, told up the British Parliament as a model of conscientious application, adding that while the majority ruled, the rights of minorities were respected. A still more glowing tribute was paid by Mr. Chao Hsi-chao, the Chinese d'Aulaire in London, when entertaining a large gathering of various nationalities in celebration of the anniversary of the Republic's foundation. The young Chinese Republic, said Mr. Chao, was "like a child seeking guidance from an older Constitutional country," which could be no other than Britain, "the oldest Constitutional country in the world, the most democratic in spirit, and the one recognised as most friendly to China." This comes as an agreeable counterblast to Dr. Sun Yat-sen's assertion that Germany and Russia are the only countries standing in a non-aggressive relation to China. Perhaps some discount should be allowed for the circumstance that Mr. Chao was speaking in England. Against this is the fact that the Charge d'Affaires was addressing representatives of many Powers. We trust that Mr. Chao's remarks will not be entirely lost upon his countrymen at Peking and elsewhere in the Republic.

A Chinese Boxer.

A message from our Singapore correspondent announces that the light-weight champion boxer of Malaya, a Chinese named or called "Batling Key," is about to sail for this Colony, where he "hopes to take part in several contests." Against whom? A year ago thoughts would have

DAY BY DAY.

GENIUS WITHOUT CONSCIENCE IS LIKE A FIRE WHICH BLAZES, NOT TO WARM BUT TO BURN.—Blackie.

One case of enteric fever (British) was notified yesterday.

Football notes by "Quiz" and a letter on "Our Trees" are unavoidably held over until tomorrow.

An Ethiopian woman, Mrs. Marie Falser, died at the age of 66 on the evening of Oct. 11th, on the Hakone Maru during the voyage from Shanghai to Hongkong.

Tenders are no longer called for the salvage of the s.s. Tung-shing, stranded at Swatow, as arrangements have, we understand, been made for salvaging the vessel.

The golf match between the Royal Hongkong Golf Club and the U.S.R.C. on Sunday resulted in a win for the former by 13 points to seven, the winners scoring ten to five in the singles and three to two in the foursomes.

The A.D.C.'s opening performance of "I'll Leave It To You" is to be given at the Theatre Royal to-night, when a big success is anticipated. The leading lady's part is in the hands of one of the best amateur actresses in the Colony—an old favourite who will be welcomed back after several years' absence from the local stage.

Amongst forthcoming marriages are those of Mr. N. C. Wilson, of the Mercantile Bank of India, and Miss Dorothy Angelus Hume, due here from Vancouver by the Empress of Asia; Mr. L. F. Townsend, of the Union Insurance Society, of Canton, and Miss Jessie Cameron McBean, of Inverness, Scotland; and Mr. Davis T. Mackintosh, over-seer Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, and Miss Isabel M. Randall, en route from Home by the s.s. Pyrrhus.

Posing as seekers after a vacant flat, two men visited No. 39, Namchun, Samshui, yesterday, and were later followed by two other men, who said they had come in to pay the deposit money. They then produced, not banknotes, but revolvers, and all four bundled the master of the house and his womenfolk into one cubicle while the work of relieving them of their property and personal articles of jewellery was carried out. The total haul is estimated at about a hundred dollars.

When charged with disobeying the orders of an Indian constable who had requested him to "move on" as he was obstructing the Star Ferry Pier, a Chinese alleged that the constable was furious with him because he laughed whilst he (the Indian) was assaulting some Chinese. "I suppose you think it funny?" asked Mr. E. W. Hamilton. The defendant said he was injured nobody by merely laughing. "Well you can keep on laughing in prison for a week if you cannot pay a fine of \$5," retorted his Worship.

turned to Neal, but Teddy came two croppers last season against naval opponents. One of these, Stoker Britt, has gone home. If the other, Seaman Chadwick, a promising youngster, is still in these parts, perhaps he would not mind giving a few pounds to the battling Mongolian, who scales 9st. 6lbs. Any one desirous of testing Key's mettle will have to respond with promptitude, as that warrior, it is stated, will be returning to Singapore for a big contest in November. A little while ago the visitor was in the Malayan limelight when he scored a quick victory over Johnny Carvalho, a Portuguese who has made some mark in that quarter, and Key followed this up with a one-round victory over the British boxer, Waller. The latter complained before the contest that he was not properly fit, while Key was in the "pink," which shows how strictly the Chinese attends to his business. It will be an interesting event if there is an opportunity of seeing the Chinese boxer in action. A little while ago an American Chinese, Lee, visited Manila with some flourish of trumpets, only to be twice defeated. But then the Filipino boxers are uncommonly good, witness young Villa's defeat of Johnny Bull, the American champion.

THE NEAR EAST SETTLEMENT.

Text of the Protocol.

IN GENERAL ACCORDANCE WITH FORECAST.

(Reuter's Service.)

Mudania, October 11. The agreement, signed at 6.40 this morning, provides for the evacuation of Thrace within fifteen days, the installation of the Turkish administration within thirty days, limitation of Turkish gendarmerie to eight thousand, the establishment of an allied covering force on the west bank of the Maritza, the creation of a neutral zone inside a line drawn fifteen kilometres from the Straits, with a demilitarised zone beyond, also a neutral zone in the Ismid Peninsula inside a line extending from Ghatzab to Shileh, with a demilitarised zone of forty kilometres beyond.

Both sides agree to suspend reinforcements and fortifications. The Greek delegates reserved their signature on the ground that the terms did not accord with their instructions.

General Harrington's Candour Produces Cordiality.

The proceedings opened last night with a speech by General Harrington, who repeated his declaration of the 9th, that the terms offered the Turks were final, the discussion between General Harrington and the Turks having the most harmonious ending with handshakes. The former emphasised the danger of the Turks advancing into the neutral zones. He pointed out that Britain had many fine soldiers, ships, guns and aircraft, and would make a dangerous foe, but suggested that it would be a pity to use them on the eve of the peace conference. He therefore hoped that Ankara had replied favourably.

Ismet Pasha replied that he desired complete agreement as soon as possible. The draft convention was then read, Ismet commenting and General Harrington explaining various points.

General Harrington, replying to a question concerning the neutral zone, said that the spirit mattered, not the form. He was willing to shake hands with Ismet Pasha in proof of mutual good faith. Ismet promptly rose and shook hands with General Harrington in the friendliest manner. Thereafter the misgiving of the Turks seemed to disappear. They did not demur to the proposal to reduce the gendarmerie.

The meeting broke up at nine in the evening to permit of the preparation of the definitive text, the Allied Generals proceeding on board the cruiser Carysform to meet the Greek General.

Signed at Dawn.

The final signature was expected at one this morning, but the Generals had not returned. The hours passed with a crowd of officers, journalists and others waiting in the stuffy rooms apprehensive of a hitch until the arrival of the Generals at three this morning dispelled fears.

A brief meeting followed, after which it was announced that agreement had been reached, and that signature would follow immediately six copies had been prepared. Another tedious wait, due to the difficulties of typing, followed. Meanwhile General Harrington conversed privately with Ismet Pasha, who agreed to the complete establishment of neutral zones by Sunday night. A Turkish battalion at five this morning turned out with band and discoursed strange music in front of the conference chamber, including choruses by the bandsmen, the latter being unprecedented among Turkish soldiers. At length as dawn was breaking the copies were ready for signature.

Greek Delegates' Reservation.

The declaration of the Greek General Mazarakis attached to the Convention was read stating that, as the question of the real frontier of Thrace had been ignored and the issues were political, the Greek delegates were unable to sign without instructions from their Government.

Ismet Pasha asked whether, if the Greek Government refused to sign the Powers would see that the agreement was carried out.

General Harrington replied that it was understood that the Powers agreed to this at Paris.

Ismet Pasha replied: Very well; I am prepared to sign. The signing occupied some time, as each of the six sheets of the six copies of the Convention had to be initialised or signed, and Ismet Pasha carefully compared each copy to see that there were no discrepancies.

THE RUBBER PROBLEM.

British Government Intervention.

London, October 11.

Mr. Churchill has approved the proposals in the supplementary report of the Colonial Office Rubber Committee, which recommends a scheme of Government intervention to operate in Ceylon, the Malay States and the Straits Settlements as soon as possible.

The scheme has been framed to allow the export, on the minimum duty, of sixty per cent. of the standard production, as a first stage. If during the second quarter after the initiation of the scheme, or in any subsequent three months, rubber has not averaged at least a shilling per lb., the percentage of standard production exportable at the minimum duty shall be reduced to fifty-five. If that reduction is ineffective in raising the average price over the following three months to 1s. 3d., then it shall be reduced to fifty per cent. and so on, by five per cent. reductions, until that average price is secured.

It is proposed to form local committees in Ceylon and Malaya and a Central Advisory Committee in London to facilitate the operation of the scheme. The proposals will be submitted to the Legislatures of Ceylon, Malaya and the Straits at an early date.

It is understood that the Rubber Growers' Association has obtained assurances of co-operation, in the event of Government action in British territories, on the part of a satisfactory number of British estates in foreign territories, which means voluntary restriction of output.

The aforementioned scheme is regarded practically as Scheme 2 in the previous Colonial Office report, in an improved form.

London, October 11.

The Rubber Report has been officially cabled to the Governors of the Crown Colonies.

CONTRADICTORY REPORTS CONCERNING ENVER PASHA.

His Death now Said to Have Been Proved.

Berlin, October 11.

Referring to the recent report that Enver Pasha had defeated two Soviet divisions near Samarkand, a Moscow telegram from the Russian Telegraph Agency says that no such battle occurred. Moreover, Enver Pasha's death has been established with the utmost certainty.

A little while ago it was reported that Enver Pasha had been killed. A subsequent message stated that he had defeated a Soviet force.

RALLY IN GERMAN CURRENCY.

Government Said to be Preparing Stringent Measures.

Berlin, October 11.

A considerable rally in the mark has occurred, owing to widespread reports that the Government is contemplating drastic measures to prevent further depreciation of the mark. Details of the measures are still secret.

According to the Berliner Tagblatt, the Government intends to take sudden action in order to prevent speculators taking defensive action in advance. All accounts agree that the Government will deal sternly with traffic in foreign exchanges.

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TELEPHONE QUESTION.

To-day's Council Debate.

MR. FLETCHER'S SPEECH.

Perhaps even more interesting to the general public than the presentation of the Budget for 1923 was the submission of a resolution at this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council in connection with the telephone controversy. The full text of the resolution has already been given in the local newspapers, the Council being asked to resolve that no new Agreement shall be entered upon between the Company and the Government, unless the Company is prepared to accept the rates of subscription recommended in the Report furnished by the Committee of the joint Chambers of Commerce.

The resolution was moved in a lengthy explanatory speech by the Hon. Colonial Secretary (Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, C.M.G.). He began by briefly tracing the history of the Telephone Company since it was started and how the Company had many times sought to secure power to increase its rates of subscription. Nothing definite came to a head, however, until 1920, when Mr. Parker Ness visited the Colony. The suggestions he then made were found to be unacceptable. The Government then decided to ask certain local business men for their advice and, on their advice, the Government referred their suggestion of forming a local Company to the Chamber of Commerce and suggested the appointment of accountants to go into the question. Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were appointed and after they had examined the matter they reported that it would be better not to go on with the question of forming a local Company. Mr. Fletcher went on to say that he had an interview with Mr. Parker Ness in London, but it was not true to say that he agreed to certain figures which were then put to him. In 1921 the Government appointed another Committee and they reported in favour of a subscription rate of \$120. The Telephone Company turned that down and there was a deadlock until Mr. Parker Ness came back to the Colony in March of this year. Again he came forward with certain unacceptable proposals. He then suggested that the Government should be guided by his expert, Mr. Cook, to which the Government replied that it would also engage the services of an expert in the person of Mr. Cole, of Shanghai. These two experts drew up a report which differed in the very important sum of \$700,000 as regards the capital value of the undertaking. But they recommended the same rates, and it certainly struck the Government that such rates were the probable solution of the matter. But the Government did not consider the matter as being in any way settled; there were many outstanding points and the draft agreement had not even gone before the Executive Council when Mr. Parker Ness asked permission to publish the suggested rates. It struck the Government that it would be useful to get the rates published in order that the Government might benefit by the opinion of the man in the street. The result was that the Government certainly got public opinion, questions were asked in the Legislative Council, and it was suggested that the Government should explain matters to the Chambers of Commerce, and it readily did so. The Government acted on the suggestion that a small Committee be formed representing the Chambers, and in due time the Chambers' report was presented. After very careful examination the Government had decided that the recommendations were right and proper. Mr. Fletcher proceeded to explain that the report made no mention of capital value, except to say that the Committee could not arrive at a figure because certain information had been withheld. There were two ways of finding out the capital value of an undertaking. One way was that adopted by Mr. Cook; namely, that of estimating the reconstruction cost, less depreciation; and the other way was that adopted by Mr. Cole; namely, that of finding out how much money had been put into the concern. That accounted for the difference in the two experts' figures. The Government was not called upon to say which was right, but it had a duty to protect the public from paying on too greatly appreciated

values. The Company said that the rates now offered were absolutely too low, but the Government were mindful of the fact that there were cheap telephones in Shanghai and Japan. What the Government was now aiming at was the fixing of the rates, after which it would be possible to discuss the nature of the proposed improvements, and possibly the introduction of automatic telephones. But it would be useless to carry on discussion on such points unless there was agreement regarding the rates to be charged. They first of all had to fix the rates, and that was why the resolution was being proposed. Mr. Fletcher denied that the Government had acted in a "hole-in-the-corner" manner or that the Government had ever bound itself in any way to the Company. The Government was most anxious to deal liberally and fairly with the Company, just on the same lines as it had dealt with the Electric Company and the Dairy Farm. It was satisfied that the rates now proposed would give a liberal return on the money invested. One condition of a new licence would be the Head Office should be transferred to Hongkong, because money would thereby be saved. In conclusion he expressed the Government's thanks to the Hon. Mr. Lowe, Mr. Bennett, the local manager of the Company, and all others who had assisted the Government.

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, in seconding, said that the telephone service during the past few years had not been satisfactory, but the management had had great difficulties to contend with. He thought it would be the desire of all the community that the present Company should continue, and he sincerely trusted that the Directors would see their way to agree to the terms. It must be a source of great satisfaction to the members of the Committee appointed by the two Chambers of Commerce that the Government had taken their report as the basis of an agreement. The Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe then addressed the Council at great length on details of the telephone controversy. The resolution was unanimously carried.

FINANCIAL VOTES.

Over \$20,000 for Strike Expenses.

The following financial votes came before the Legislative Council this afternoon:—
\$20,849 in aid of the vote Miscellaneous Services, Strike Expenses.
\$37,335 in aid of the vote Miscellaneous Services, visit of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.
\$4,900 in aid of the following votes—Public Works Department—Incidental Expenses, General, \$500; transport and travelling expenses, \$3,900.
\$5,000 in aid of the following votes: Kowloon Canton Railway: Electric fans and light, \$350; Locomotive, Carriage and Wagon Department, power, \$4,380; Traffic Department, electric fans and light, \$270.
\$29,000 on account of Police Department, special expenditure, purchase of 1-ton Ford lorry for New Territory work.
\$2,000 in aid of the vote Public Works, Extraordinary, Kowloon, miscellaneous, 2-ton lorry for Kowloon roads.
\$14,500 in aid of the vote Police, special expenditure, two new harbour launches.

A DRAMA.

Like a Cinema Scene.

A man from town met two peasant girls in the fields at Cheung Sha Wan yesterday and induced them, by a glowing account of life in the city of Canton, to accompany him to that place. Just before the railway station was reached, however, the anxious guardians of the girls caught up with them, and the villain, who was accompanied by a woman, had to seek to avoid capture in flight. It was then that one of the guardians displayed his initiative. In approved cinema style, he hired a motor car and caught up with the fugitives somewhere near the water works on the Tai Po Road. To-day the case came up for trial by Mr. R. E. Lindell. A

RUBBER RESTRICTION SCHEME.

Excitement in Singapore.

BIG DEMAND FOR SHARES.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, Oct. 12. The Government publishes a despatch cabled by the Secretary of State intimating that the Stevenson Committee's scheme to effect a restriction in the output of rubber by means of an export duty applicable to Malaya and Ceylon, from November 1st, has been adopted. The Councils will be asked to pass the necessary legislation.

Promises of voluntary restriction by the majority of British estates in the Dutch Indies have been secured in the event of the Netherlands Government not co-operating.

The duty does not exceed a penny per pound on sixty per cent. of the standard production, increasing on a sliding scale thereafter. Provision is made for increasing the percentage of output exportable on the minimum duty as prices improve. On the contrary, if the desired effect is not secured, the exportable percentage will be reduced until the price reaches 15/31.

The news has caused tremendous excitement in rubber circles and a substantial advance is anticipated in shares, which are almost unbuyable.

[A Reuter's telegram elsewhere gives details of the scheme.]

A SHANGHAI CASE.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Oct. 12. A C. Mack was charged at the British Court in connection with the Giesel case and remanded until Tuesday. The decision in the Giesel case will be given tomorrow.

[The case is one in which defendants are charged with being in possession of spurious liquor.]

CHINA'S PARLIAMENT.

The Constitution Question.

Peking, Oct. 12.—The formal opening of the third session of Parliament was held in the House of Representatives this morning. The President, the Premier, the Cabinet, 335 members of the Lower House and 139 Senators were present. Speeches were delivered by the President and the Premier. The Speaker of the House of Representatives emphasised that the drafting of the Constitution must be carried out. Following the ceremony, the Cabinet met and informally discussed the question of submitting their appointment to Parliament for approval.—Reuter.

DR. REINSCH ILL.

Former U. S. Minister to China.

Hankow, Oct. 11.—Dr. Paul Reinsch has arrived from Peking and is lying very ill at the International Hospital.—Reuter.

CHINESE JOURNALISTS' GIFT.

Shanghai, Oct. 12.—The Chinese Journalists' Club at Shanghai is despatching a presentation rug to the National Press Club, Washington, as an appreciation of courtesies extended to the Chinese journalists at the Washington Conference.—Reuter.

U. S. FLEET'S VISIT.

Shanghai, Oct. 12.—Admiral Anderson aboard the U.S.S. Huron, with the United States Destroyer Division, leaves to-day for Amoy, Hongkong and Manila.—Reuter.

story was related by one of the girls that, when taken to the prisoners' home at Sha Lan Ha, they were given tea to drink, with the ashes of burnt paper mixed in it, and their senses were crazed as the result. She admitted that she ran away from her parents' home a year ago in a first elopement with a stranger from town. She was now the intended daughter-in-law of her guardian. The hearing was being continued as we left the Court.

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CAMERA NEWS



A general view of the Secretary of the Navy Donby on his return to Washington from the Far East. This picture shows Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt giving his chief a greeting at the Union Station. Admiral Koonz is shown at the right.



Mr. Donby is here shown besieged by reporters on his return from the Far East.



His Holiness Pope Pius XI. inspects the first automobile to make its appearance within the Vatican grounds. The car, a machine of Italian make, is a gift to the Pontiff from the diocese of Milan, his home.



Japanese officer reads the text of the Washington agreement on limitation of armament to his troops, about to be disbanded in accordance with the provisions of the pact.



This photograph shows the city of Smyrna, which has figured prominently in the Near Eastern crisis.



John Wanamaker (left), and Secretary of War Weeks, snapped at the Pennsylvania Military College, Chester, Pa., where both received honorary degrees.

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U.S. THREE-MILE LIMIT AND SALE OF LIQUOR.

Cunard Co. to Bring Test-Action.

(Continued from Page 1)

New York, October 11. It is stated that the Cunard Company will bring a test case under Attorney-General Daugherty's ruling that foreign ships may not bring liquor within the three-mile limit. The company's counsel has gone to Washington to confer with the Attorney-General preparatory to petitioning the Supreme Court for an injunction restraining the Government from enforcing the liquor ban.

THE AUTUMN HANDICAPS.

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London, October 11. The Cesarewitch resulted as follows: Light Draught (100-1), 1; The Villager (40-1), 2; Ceylonese (10-1), 3. Thirty-one ran. Won by a neck, three lengths separating second and third.

IRISH FREE STATE CONSTITUTION.

Dublin Parliament's Approval.

London, October 11. The Dublin Provisional Parliament has passed the committee stage of the Free State Constitution without material alterations.

TREATY WITH IRAK CONCLUDED.

London, October 11.

It is officially announced that a treaty of Alliance between Britain and the Iraq was signed at Baghdad on Tuesday by the British High Commissioner, Sir Percy Cox, and the Prime Minister of Iraq as plenipotentiaries.

Sir Percy Cox announced that as soon as the frontiers of Iraq had been settled and a stable government established, Britain, provided that the provisions of the treaty were carried out, would use her good offices to secure the admission of Iraq to the League of Nations, as provided by the treaty. The British Government opined that this was the sole means of legally terminating the mandatory relation.

London, October 11.

The Iraq treaty remains in force for twenty years. The King of Iraq agrees to be guided by the advice of the British High Commissioner on all important matters affecting international and financial obligations and the interests of Britain for the whole period of the treaty.

SHIPPING LIABILITIES.

London, October 11.

The International Maritime Conference in London adopted resolutions that sovereign states ought to accept all liabilities in respect of ships they own or operate, similarly to private owners.

The Conference of the International Maritime Committee lengthily considered the Hague shipping rules and agreed that they afforded a practical and fair solution of the problem of clauses in bills of lading limiting shipowners' liabilities. They decided to take steps to draft an International Convention as being the most desirable means of solving the problem, and to bring the subject before the Diplomatic Conference sitting at Brussels on October 17th.

RUSSIA AND BORDER STATES.

Reval, October 11.

According to a message from Moscow, the Soviet Government has agreed to the proposal of Estonia to hold a disarmament conference between Russia and the border States on the 20th inst.

BRITAIN'S DEBT TO AMERICA.

London, October 11.

The British Government will pay the United States fifty million dollars, on the 16th inst. on account of the current year's interest on Britain's Debt.

THE IRISH GAOL REVOLT.

London, October 11.

Seven guards and one prisoner were killed, besides several wounded in yesterday's outbreak at Mountjoy Gaol.

FALL IN COSTS OF LIVING.

London, October 11.

The Board of Trade index-number for wholesale prices in September was 1.3 below that for August.

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SHIPPING NEWS

The following local shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day.

Vessels Arrived.

Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring
Proteus	B & S	Vancouver via Kuchineta	A 52
Kelgan	B & S	Bangkok via Swatow	B 11
Chong Shing	J M & Co.	Canton	C 33
Typhoon	J O J L	Batavia via Balikpapan	A 29
Tikharang	"	Sourabaya via Tarakan	A 1
Van Cloon	"	Amoy via Swatow	B 34
Manasterland	Arnold Bros.	Hamburg via Swatow	C 14
Pungshan M.	N Y K	Shanghai via Swatow	C 14
Amoy M.	N Y K	New York via Shanghai	Kow. Whf.
Hakone M.	N Y K	Yokohama via S'hai	"
Owaka M.	N Y K	Calcutta via S'hai	"
Yuen Heng	Yuen Seng Fat	Seigon	C 42

Clearances.

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure
Borneo M.	Nippo Y K	Batavia via Saigon	11th Oct.
Triest	Doddell & Co.	Shanghai	"
Ethan Dollar	Pacific Mail	New York via Saigon	12th Oct.
Jade	Yan Fat	Haiphong via Pakhoi	"
Taiwan	Kang Cheong	Seigon	"
Hakone M.	N Y K	Cebu via Singapore	"
Yuen M.	J M & Co.	Haiphong via Hongkong	"
Wingang	M B & Co.	Hongkong	"
Hakone M.	J M & Co.	Tientsin	"
Chong Shing	Arnold Bros.	Yokohama via S'hai	"
Manasterland	N Y K	"	"
Yuan M.	N Y K	"	"
Nubayra M.	Doddell & Co.	Hongkong	12th Oct.
Tingang	J M & Co.	Tientsin via Swatow	"
Nipic	Bradley & Co.	Hongkong	"
Pungshan M.	N Y K	Canton	"

Impending Departures.

(Compiled from our Shipping Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing
Tientsin	B & S	Tientsin	13th
Soochow	B & S	Shanghai	13th
Porton	M M	Japan	13th
Van Cloon	J C J L	Singapore	13th
Longgang	J M Co.	Manila	13th
Tien tang	J M Co.	Shanghai	13th
Hoku M.	N Y K	Pakhoi	13th
Ahi M.	N Y K	Japan	13th
West Prospect	S & B	Sourabaya	13th
Georgian	C M Co.	Sourabaya	13th
Tean	B & S	Honlo	13th
Hakching	D L & Co.	Foochow	13th
Paoing	B & S	Newchwang	13th
Taining	B & S	Amoy	13th
Akita M.	N Y K	Japan	14th
Smuning	B & S	Tientsin	14th
Taiwa M.	N Y K	Amoy	14th
Kwangtung	B & S	Singapore	14th
Chekiang	B & S	Bangkok	14th
City of Melbourne	Bank Line	Manchuria	14th
Hoyang	J M Co.	Shanghai	14th
Ningpo	J M Co.	Saigon	14th
Tjibodas	J C J L	Japan	14th
Hyson	P M O	Antwerp	14th
Japan	J M Co.	Cebu	14th
Hsinang	J M Co.	Saodakan	14th
Kolpan	B & S	Bangkok	14th
Tydarans	B & S	Vaccos	14th
Tjikini	J C J L	Batavia	14th
Yoshino M.	N Y K	Manila	14th
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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

U.S. WIRELESS IN CHINA.
A San Francisco telegram to the Eastern Times states that the president of the American Association Press and six wireless engineers are leaving that port for Shanghai on the 18th. In connection with the erection of the first of five wireless stations which will be established in China during the next three years.

QUEENSLAND TIMBER.
The Queensland Forest Service estimate that the State of Queensland could produce approximately the following quantities of timber:—Pine, 1,000,000,000 ft.; Pine tops, 200,000,000 ft.; Kauri Pine, 200,000,000 ft.; Maple, 100,000,000 ft.; Brown Oak, 70,000,000 ft.; Cypress Pine, 30,000,000 ft.; Hardwoods, 3,000,000,000 ft.; Brush Timbers, 5,000,000,000 ft. This enormous total will give some idea of the immense quantities of timber available in the State of Queensland. Large quantities of timber are being destroyed annually which are in every way suitable for use in many important directions.

SHANGHAI COAL MARKET.
Messrs. Wheelock & Co., Shanghai, in their circular of 5th October, state:—Japan Coal.—Since last writing a certain amount of "hand-to-mouth" business has been done with native dealers and there is still a certain amount of enquiry going on but nothing of any importance has resulted so far and we do not think that sellers will commence negotiations for next year's supplies for another month or so. Fushun Coal.—A fair amount of business is being done in this staple as, owing to the shortage of coal in Japan, Fushun is being largely called upon to take its place. Fuchung Anthracite.—No change. Kaiping Coal.—Although coal is arriving with greater freedom, it is not coming forward at a sufficient rate to make up arrears and deliveries pass quickly into consumption. Stocks accordingly remain at a minimum, and prices are well maintained.

SAMPLE POST MISSED.
British traders are complaining that the sample post has not been restored. The answer of the Post Office is that it would involve a loss that would not be justified in the present state of the revenue. A manufacturing company writes to the Daily Chronicle to the effect that, on sending out 200,000 samples, it was surcharged by the Post Office the full letter rate, on the ground that the packages would not be accepted at the printed-matter rate, and also that there was no sample rate in existence. It is pointed out by the company that, if they had sent the whole of their samples in bulk to Germany to be posted there, they would have saved £100, while the British Post Office would have got nothing. It is also pointed out by the Post Office authorities that the saving caused by posting in Germany is due to the present rates of exchange, and is not a normal condition of affairs.

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S.S. GLENAPP	5th Nov.	L'RON, A'WERP, H'DAM & H'BURG.
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YOSHINO MARU... Tuesday, 17th Oct. at 11 a.m.

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MANILA via Loongsang	Fri.	13th Oct. at 3 p.m.
TTAO via S'tow & S'hai Hopsang	Sun.	15th Oct. at d'light
BANGKOK via Swatow Kwaisang	Tues.	17th Oct. at 10 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Tues.	17th Oct. at 2 p.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow Leesang	Wed.	18th Oct. at 10 a.m.
KOBE	Thurs.	19th Oct. at d'light
TTAO via S'tow & S'hai Yatsing	Fri.	20th Oct. at 10 a.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow Chaksang	Tues.	24th Oct. at noon
STRAITS & Calcutta	Tues.	24th Oct. at 3 p.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Thurs.	9th Nov. at 3 p.m.

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For	Steamers	To Sail
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Tean	13th Oct. at noon
TIENTSIN	Tientsin	13th Oct. at 4 p.m.
CHEFOO & NEWCHWANG	Paoting	13th Oct. at 4 p.m.
AMOI	Tamling	14th Oct. at d'light
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Sunning	14th Oct. at 4 p.m.
SAIGON	Ningpo	15th Oct. at d'light
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	Kwantung	15th Oct. at noon
SHANGHAI	Chekiang	15th Oct. at 4 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Kalgan	17th Oct. at noon
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Liangchow	17th Oct. at 4 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	Sulyang	19th Oct. at 6 p.m.
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SHIPPING NEWS.

"SOME" FARE!

According to information from Royal, a Russian company has started a passenger steamship service between that port and Petrograd, and the single fare is 30,000,000 roubles.

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The Royal Mail Steam Packet Company's Oropesa, whilst on ward bound from Southampton to New York, was called upon by a Danish freighter, bound for New York from Malta, to prescribe for several sailors on board who were suffering from a mysterious malady. The doctor of the Oropesa, who had been stationed during the war with the British Squadron at Malta, recognized the symptoms to be those of Malta fever, a species of malaria. He sent a message prescribing medicine and giving the course of treatment, and as no further call for aid was received apparently the advice had had the desired effect.

TYPHOON HITS JAPANESE

INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Many marine disasters which took place during the typhoon in August have had bit the marine insurance business in Japan. Two million yen will have to be paid by insurance companies for several ships which were wrecked and one million yen more for cargo which was lost. The Inui K. K. s. Anyo Maru, 2,140 tons gross, which is missing, is insured for Y.150,000; the Bishu India s. Gondia is insured with her cargo for Y.130,000; the Asahi Maru, the property of Shintama Kisen Kaisha, is covered by hull and cargo insurance to the sum of Y. 600,000, and the Mitsui chartered steamer Ryokai Maru, wrecked off the Philippines, is insured for Y.1,300,000 with her cargo. The majority of these wrecked steamers were insured when ship prices were highest a few years ago, and, despite a great fall of prices, marine insurance companies are still carrying heavy policies.

UPPER YANGTZE STEAMERS.

Steamers are now running very regularly to Chungking and are not being much interfered with. Freight rates have fallen a little, and now Ts. 3 is the price for a bale of cotton yarn from Ichang to Chungking. Chinese passenger fares have also advanced and are now quoted at \$15, \$20 and \$30 for deck, second and first class respectively. It is understood that an agitation is going on amongst junkmen for a close time for the upper river, that is, that steamers be not allowed to travel on the Ichang-Chungking run between certain dates. At present it is suggested that the dates should be from the first day of the tenth month (lunar calendar) to the first day of the third month, which means from about November 19 till the middle of April. Of course, the larger steamers will not be able to sail much after that date in November but one or two smaller ones are being built with the idea of keeping up steamer communication all the year round.

FRENCH UNIFORMS.

Wherever uniforms are worn in the French Merchant Service the following regulations have henceforward to be complied with by deck and engine-room officers and pursers.—Each must have a short jacket for deck use, a long coat for ceremonial, and a white jacket for hot weather. The short coat must be closed at the neck, and be closed by five buttons. A (except the duck coat) to be dark navy blue. The commander shall wear four gold stripes, the captain three, the lieutenant two, and the auxiliary lieutenant one. The chief engineer shall wear three gold stripes placed over mauve velvet, the second engineer two stripes, and the third engineer one stripe in the same fashion. Three stripes over red velvet are the sign of the ship's doctor, the same number over black velvet indicating the purser. Junior doctors and pursers will wear a less number of stripes over the above colours of velvet. The gold stripes of Mercantile Marine officers shall be slightly thinner than those of officers of the Navy, so as to indicate the difference, which will also be seen in the absence of epaulettes or traps in the former case. Buttons shall be of the same dimensions as those worn in the Navy, but will bear the sign of the shipping company in question. The company's flag shall also be worn beside the anchor worn on an esquadron on the regulation peak, thus making it different from the one worn by Naval officers. The wearer's rank shall be indicated in the cap band by stripes and velvet as on the coat sleeve.

NOTICE.

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THE Fourth Gymkhana Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, October 14th, commencing 3.15 p.m. The Charge for admission will be \$1.00 for other than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club.
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A Satisfactory Year.

The twenty-sixth ordinary annual meeting of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., was held at the Company's own office to-day at noon. Mr. G. M. Dodwell presided and there were also present Dr. J. W. Noble, Messrs. A. B. Stewart, A. S. D. Cousland (Director), A. Stevenson (Manager), M. Manuk (Secretary), R. L. Bridger, C. Makeham, A. Macfarlane, Chan Tong and Chan In-nam (Shareholders). The secretary having read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said:—(Gentlemen: Before proceeding with the business of this meeting, I should like to express the regret of your directors at the loss they have suffered by the death of Mr. F. Maitland, which occurred during the year, and to place on record their appreciation of the valuable services during his association with the Company as a director, extending over a period of 21 years, and to convey to his widow, in her sad bereavement, the sympathies of your board of directors and of the shareholders.

The report and accounts for the year ending 31st July 1922 having been in your possession for some time, I will adopt the usual procedure and take them as read. Your directors are pleased to be able to come before you with such satisfactory results as are shown in the report and accounts, which reflect credit on all concerned. It is proposed after making the usual allowances for depreciation, bad and doubtful debts, to deal with the net profits, amounting to \$335,112.19 as follows: To pay a dividend of \$1.75 per share on 114,000 old shares \$199,500.00; To pay a dividend of 15 cents per share on 85,616 new shares \$12,842.40; To add to Fire & Typhoon Insurance Fund, \$10,000.00; To Carry Forward, \$13,112.51; Total \$335,112.19.

You will notice from the Accounts that, after spending on Repairs and Renewals \$62,747.27, we have provided for depreciation on \$90,254.07. This your directors consider necessary in view of the condition of some of our machinery and buildings which have to be replaced in the near future.

The health of your herd is very satisfactory and in order to meet the increased demand for our dairy produce, we imported during the year 130 head—this in addition to the 100 imported in the year previous—and we have a further lot on order consisting of 40 head which is expected to arrive here towards the end of the year.

In view of the satisfactory results obtained, your directors have been pleased to grant a bonus of 15 per cent to the staff on their salaries, which will no doubt meet with your approval.

"HUICHOW" DISABLED.

Making Water in No. 2 Hold.

Messrs. Butterfield and Swire have received a telegram stating that the s.s. Huichow is making water in No. 2 hold. She is at anchor in Kusan Bay, which is about fifty miles to the north of Amoy.

Details are not available, but it appears that the Huichow must have come in contact with some submerged obstruction, knocking a hole in her plates. The tug Taikoo, with salvaging gear, will be sent up at daylight to-morrow.

"DRY" U. S. SHIPS

Hongkong Shipping Men Alarmed.

The possibility of the extension of the Prohibition Law so as to provide for the total exclusion of the sale of liquors aboard United States passenger liners is viewed with considerable alarm, according to enquiries made by a Telegram reporter amongst the American shipping offices in Hongkong.

Hitherto the practice allowed has been to suspend the sale of liquors only when American ships are within the three-mile limit or in American ports. The effect of total "dryness" is viewed by American shipping men with gravity, as it may mean a serious depletion in the number of passengers going to the States by American steamers. Commenting on the inapplicability of Atlantic conditions to the Pacific, one shipping man interviewed yesterday said that people in the Orient have, on the whole, become much more used to taking liquors with their meals and many would not think going without the preliminary cocktail. Such people would not appreciate taking a lemon squash in the place of their accustomed beverage.

No official advice has been received by American shipping firms here of the contemplated extension of the prohibition, though it is known that if the measure is carried through by the American Legislature, it will come into effect on Friday. There are several American ships due to sail within one or two days of this date, and it is proposed that official advice be conveyed to the contrary, that the sale of liquors under the old conditions shall be continued.

Passengers may find some consolation in the provision under the new law giving passengers travelling by United States vessels, the privilege of taking their own liquors aboard for consumption during the voyage. Such a course, however, would probably be considered inconvenient by the majority of passengers, and it is pessimistically predicted by American shipping men in Hongkong that, rather than going to such trouble, passengers from the Orient would prefer travelling by vessels not subject to "Pussyfoot" laws.

"President Lincoln" Removing Liquor.

(Our Own Correspondent.)
Shanghai, Oct. 11.

The s.s. "President Lincoln," which is arriving from San Francisco to-morrow is the first Pacific liner to be hit by the "dry" law. She is removing her liquor here.

information for which he received the thanks of your Board.

You will remember that, during general strike in the early part of the year, your Company was able, through the untiring exertions on the part of the European staff and voluntary helpers, to provide the general public with all the essential foods required, for which your Company received the thanks of both the Government and the local press, and in conclusion I would say that everything possible is being done by your directors and the management to meet the growing requirements of the Colony and to provide the public with the very best of dairy produce, meats &c., and that this board realises to the full the obligation the Company's under, consequent upon the nature of its business, to make service its principal aim and end.

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THE LIGHT THAT FAILED.

Kowloon in the Dark.

Up to a little past the dinner hour last night Kowloon was practically a city of darkness. The gas street lamps burned as usual, but except for a lighted window here and there in a house whose occupants were fortunate enough to have gas or a good stock of candles, the dwellings were shrouded in inky blackness. The electric light failed shortly after eight o'clock and it was not until after eight o'clock that it was put right. Many a dinner was late in consequence and the residents generally had a pretty uncomfortable hour or so. Still, "it is an ill wind that blows nobody good." The compradores probably did a record trade in candles.

THE FUKIEN WAR.

Despatch of Chinese Naval Officers.

A Peking telegram states that the Government has complied with Admiral To Shih-kwai's request for the despatch of fifty naval officers to Foochow.

Another Peking message says it is reported that either Admiral Sah or Admiral To will be appointed director of operations in Fokien.

Our Canton correspondent states that as important military

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10.00 a.m.	to 11.00 a.m.	every 15 mins.	
11.00 a.m.	to 12.00 noon	every 15 mins.	
12.00 noon	to 1.00 p.m.	every 15 mins.	
1.00 p.m.	to 2.00 p.m.	every 15 mins.	
2.00 p.m.	to 3.00 p.m.	every 15 mins.	
3.00 p.m.	to 4.00 p.m.	every 15 mins.	
4.00 p.m.	to 5.00 p.m.	every 15 mins.	
SATURDAYS.			
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8.00 a.m.	to 10.00 a.m.	every 15 mins.	
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operations are taking place in Kwangsi, and Fukien and many of Sun Yat-sen's troops are collected in these two provinces, a military detective organisation has been created and a number of spies have been sent out by this body.

Our Canton correspondent also reports that, on a request by the Tsuchun of Fukien, General Chan King-ming has despatched the 1st and 2nd Divisions to render assistance, with General Hung Shiu-lun as commander-in-chief.

Heavy Fighting.
(From Our Own Correspondent.)
Shanghai, Oct. 12.

A Foochow telegram reports that a thousand have been killed in the fighting.

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CANTON'S LOAN.

Some Further Particulars.

Further conditions in the loan agreement between the Canton Government and an Anglo-French-Chinese syndicate registered in London lay down that the Tobacco and Wine Taxes, on which the loan is secured, are not to be hypothecated by any other party, and that the Canton Government is to pay to the syndicate out of these revenues a sum not exceeding £334,000 per annum. Should the revenues from these taxes be insufficient, the Government must draw from other sources. The Government and the Provincial Assembly are required to announce that the interest and capital of the loan shall be free from all taxes in China. The price for the sale of the bonds is to be decided by the syndicate's bankers and the issue is to be made simultaneously in London and Canton.

Under the terms of the agreement, the Government has the option of requesting a further loan of £5,000,000 six years after the ratification of the present loan.

Should the loan not be floated, through the fault of either party, the other party is to receive £1,000 as compensation for expenses, etc. One official copy of the agreement is to be lodged with the British Consul at Canton.

Assembly Committee Approves.
At a Committee meeting of the Provincial Assembly, yesterday, the members were satisfied with the explanation given in regard to the 12 1/4 per cent. premium of the Alliance China Company loan. They were assured that beyond the immediate interests of the loan, not a single official stands to benefit by the deal. The loan, it is indicated, will probably have a smooth passing through the Legislature when it comes up for the vote at the next meeting.

A SHANGHAI TRAGEDY RECALLED.

Kim Yekiso, a Korean, who attempted to assassinate General Tanaka at Shanghai, has been sentenced, at the Nagasaki court, to penal servitude for life.

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